

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE PETROLEUM PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1869.

We submit this, our first complete monthly report of production, to the public, in belief that it will be found more nearly accurate than any report hitherto published. While we have spared neither expense nor labor to obtain correct information, we do not claim for it entire accuracy. The difficulty of making a report can only be fully appreciated by those who have attempted it. More than a hundred individuals have contributed to get this up; it has been made up mainly from the books of the companies and individuals operating in each district. Where an accurate account could not be so obtained, the information has been gathered by agents of the Association visiting the wells and tanks in person. We invite a full criticism, and shall endeavor to correct in our next report any errors that may appear in this.

CARD.—Having this day sold out my entire business in general clothing, hats, caps and goods' furnishing goods to Messrs. McFarland, Smith & Co., I take this opportunity to tender my sincere thanks to my friends and the public for their patronage during the past seven years, and most respectfully solicit a continuance of the same for my successors.

J. A. LOSEE.
Titusville, Dec. 29, 1869.

CO-Partnership.—The undersigned having this day purchased the stock, good will, &c., formerly owned by J. A. Losee, in the general clothing, hats, caps, and goods' furnishing goods business, have formed a co-partnership under the firm name of McFarland, Smith & Co., and will continue the business at the old stand, corner of Spring and Franklin streets.

Outstanding accounts will be collected and adjusted by the new firm.

JOHN D. MCFARLAND,
EUGENE L. SMITH,
N. IRWIN SHUGERT.
Titusville, Pa., Dec. 20, 1869.

Titusville Morning Herald.

Monday, January 17, 1870.

New County.

The adage that the world is always after a little "ways off," is usually verified about this season of the year in the neighboring villages of Franklin, Oil City and Warren, by the discovery of "a great smoke" at Titusville. No sooner does the Legislature assemble, and the January set in than the Argus-eyed newspapers which represent the localities aforesaid, awake from a terrible nightmare, and cry out "fire!" and forthwith begin to spatter ink at Titusville, like so many patient extinguishers, intent on suppressing the "New County" conflagration before it is reported at Harrisburg. The cause of the terrible bother, as we have intimated, is a chronic apprehension that the Legislature may be induced to grant what the people of this region have been petitioning for thirty years, namely, the creation of a new county, and seem burdened with a conviction that in that dreadful event Titusville will inevitably become the political as it is now the commercial centre of the oil region.

We say that the agitation of this question has already begun outside of Crawford county here, in the community most deeply concerned, it has excited no attention whatever. Yet for a long period there has been great interest in all the surrounding towns upon this subject, and petitions to the Legislature, year after year, for that object has been signed with great unanimity throughout Eastern Crawford and all the townships within the area of the proposed new county. The conditions upon which it is to be secured, are, first, that the new county shall embrace a territory of four hundred square miles; second, that if one-tenth of the population of one of the now existing counties out of which the new county is carved, be taken, the question of the division must be submitted to the vote of said existing county.

Now if it were the design to take any material portion of the adjoining counties, there might be just cause of complaint from such counties; but the bulk of the territory sought is to be appropriated from Crawford county.

While the area of the new county would take seven townships from Eastern Crawford, it would embrace only a part of two townships in Venango, one township in Warren and a part of one in Forest. Should the Legislature therefore grant the bill it would have to be submitted only to the voters of Crawford county.

More than a dozen years ago such a bill was passed, and Crawford county ratified it by a 2-3 majority. It was, however, defeated in Warren county, where, by reason of including more than a tenth of the population, it was subjected to the same constitutional requirement.

As for the disaffection expressed in other quarters, there is no existence outside of the places above mentioned. The people of the several townships whom it is designed to include in the area of the new county are almost unanimously in favor of that object.

Let it be borne in mind that the people of Titusville are willing to make great pecuniary sacrifices for a new county. They are not only willing to bear their proportion of taxation for the new Court House at Meadville, but they are also willing to pledge themselves to erect all buildings required for the new county, thus relieving the neighboring townships of all taxation on that account. Can more be demanded than this? The fact that the convenience of the people of the oil region in this vicinity requires a seat of justice at Titusville needs no illustration. It amounts almost to an ample statistics in support of this assertion. It is to be noted that Titusville alone that the advantages of a new county would accrue. They would equally pertain to all who would be embraced within the territory thus incorporated. The construction of the Union and Titusville R. R. would be effected within six months thereafter. The construction of a road from Titusville to Tidomont would also be immediately undertaken. That section of Warren county is particularly interested in this project. But we have not space today for further comment. We barely seek to dispel some of the prejudices excited against the measure by newspapers and politicians outside of Crawford county.

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Miscellaneous.

There is an advertisement in the London Advertiser of December 11, from a person ("Dr. A. S.") who offers to supply official instructions for obtaining **RED D. D. D. M. D.** without the necessity of having studied in, or even visited the seats of learning! The price of a diploma varies from \$150 to \$300, the cost of delivery being the most costly.

Two young men were recently, owing on the Morsey, one of them having his favorite dog with him, when the boat upset! The owner of the dog—named Billie—was a poor swimmer, the other, Jones, was well skilled in the art of navigation, and did his utmost to save his friend. Billie was of great difficulty, since the shore was not far off. But what appears to have been an unexpected excess of affection on the part of the dog frustrated all his efforts. Mounting on his master's shoulders, the animal bit Jones so厉害 whenever he took hold of the drowning man, in the strong swimmer was at length compelled to desist from his efforts, and poor Billie sank, under the double weight of the dog's weight and of his misfortune.

A man out west got his back up at his wife and looked at her in the room. Wishing to give her a kiss he suddenly ran into her room with a box. The youth immediately bought a box and said "Mother, father's box is up, and said there is a bone in it for you to pick." The mother replied, "Take it back and I'll give it to him as soon as your father comes home." The boy said "No, I'll give it to him as soon as he comes home."

The grain trade of China in 1869 is reported as follows: 1,97,000,000 bushels, of wheat 23,000,000 bushels of corn, and 1,20,000,000 bushels or other grains. Six hundred thousand barrels of flour were manufactured in the city, and almost one billion feet of lumber, over 600,000,000 shingles, and 121,000,000 bushels were received, 1,87,200,000 bags and 400,000 entice were marketed in the same year during the year.

The following is a summary of the progress of the national debt in France. In 1862 under Charles IX., 17,000,000,000, in 1863, under Louis XIV., 783,000,000,000, in 1867, under Bonaparte, 1,912,000,000, in 1821, under Louis XVIII., 3,466,000,000, in 1823, under Charles X., 4,260,000,000, in 1843, under Louis Philippe, 5,000,000,000, and in 1869, under Napoleon III., 11,000,000,000.

A good thing is told of a lawyer in Monroe county who is engaged in the case before a Justice in Rochester. When the opposing counsel alluded to his "dilettante friend, the counsel on the other side," the dignity of the veteran attorney was touched, and rising mystically, he said "I have practical law before the bar of Monroe county for twenty years and never until now has my personal appearance been allied to the cause of opposition to me."

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